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NATIONAL EGG REVIEW

This week New York prices are slightly lower for all sizes. Early in the week, regional prices were steady. Next week's asking prices are trending lower for all sizes. Retail demand is moderate to instances good while food service demand is light. Offerings are moderate to heavy. Supplies are moderate to heavy. Market activity is slow to moderate. Breaking stock prices are steady to lower. Demand is light with offerings moderate to heavy. Supplies are moderate. Market activity is moderate. North Central regional light type hen removal costs are steady. Offerings are light to moderate for the moderate to good demand. Schedules range part-time to full-time. Market activity is moderate.



Prices to retailers, sales to volume buyers, USDA Grade A and Grade A, white eggs in cartons, prices delivered to warehouse, cents per dozen.

MIDWEST REGIONAL Producer prices are 2 cents lower for large and medium, and steady for small. Midwest delivered prices are steady with a lower undertone noted. Retail demand for mid to late week is moderate to good with some increased activity noted for the Easter weekend. Retail demand for next week is a bit unsettled with offerings outweighing demand on limited trading. Market activity is moderate. Breaking stock prices are steady to lower with checks and undergrades lower. Trade sentiment is barely steady to mostly weak. Offerings are moderate to heavy on light demand. Supplies are moderate. Market activity is moderate.

	Range	Mostly
Extra Large	105-114	108-111
Large	104-113	106-109
Medium	89-98	91-94

Midwest Area: IA, IL, IN, KY, MI, MN, OH, NE, ND, SD, WI, WV, western NY, and western PA

NORTHEAST REGIONAL Prices are steady. Offerings are moderate. Retail demand is generally moderate. Market activity is moderate. Eastern region breaking stock offerings are moderate with normal breaking schedules. Spent hen offerings are more than adequate for the moderate to good demand.

	Range	Mostly
Extra Large	114-131	117-120
Large	108-122	113-117
Medium	92-105	97-99

Northeast Area: CT, DC, DE, MA, MD, ME, NH, eastern NJ, eastern NY, PA, RI, northern VA, and VT

COMBINED REGIONAL

April 15, 2011

Average prices on sales to volume buyers, USDA Grade A and Grade A, white eggs in cartons, delivered warehouse, cents per dozen

Regions	Ex Large	Large	Medium
Northeast	118.50	115.00	100.00
Southeast	116.50	114.50	99.00
Midwest	109.50	107.50	94.50
South Central	121.50	116.50	100.50
Combined Regional	116.72	113.50	98.58

Computed from simple weekly averages weighted by regional area populations.

IOWA-MINNESOTA-WISCONSIN

Prices paid to producers for loose eggs at farm, cases exchanged, grade yield basis, cents per dozen

	04-19-11	04-12-11	04-20-10
Large	86-96	86-96	53-63
Medium	71-75	73-77	46-50

WEEKLY SHELL EGG INVENTORY REPORT

Stocks on hand available for marketing 1/
(Includes Conventional and Specialty) (30 dozen cases-in thousands)

APR 18, 2011		Northeast	N Cent	S Cent	S Atl	Pacific	5-Area
Jumbo	Curr Wk	9.3	16.2	7.6	12.7	24.8	70.6
	Change	-1.4	1.8	0.6	0.4	2.0	5%
Ex Lge	Curr Wk	28.9	36.0	15.8	24.2	43.8	148.7
	Change	-4.6	2.1	-4.9	-2.3	-15.2	-14%
Large	Curr Wk	49.1	112.1	67.7	116.3	144.4	489.6
	Change	-10.0	-4.2	-21.8	-20.4	-62.4	-20%
Medium	Curr Wk	10.9	44.6	23.5	17.5	43.2	139.7
	Change	-2.0	5.5	-1.5	-3.2	-3.5	-3%
Small	Curr Wk	2.6	3.4	1.5	1.8	7.0	16.3
	Change	0.3	0.1	0.1	0.0	0.2	4%
Misc	Curr Wk	2.2	18.1	9.0	9.6	7.9	46.8
	Change	0.5	-2.5	0.3	2.9	-0.5	2%
Ungraded	Curr Wk	7.1	43.0	12.3	6.5	22.2	91.1
	Change	-3.8	-10.6	-2.9	-6.6	-6.5	-25%
Total	Curr Wk	110.1	273.4	137.4	188.6	293.3	1002.8
Percent	Change	-16%	-3%	-18%	-13%	-23%	-15%

TOTAL	No. of Cases	% Change	No. of Coops
Shell Egg	1002.8	-15%	157
Shell Egg Breaking Stock	246.0	11%	29
Total Shell Egg	1248.8	-11%	186

Specialty Shell Egg Inventory 2/

Shell Egg stocks on hand to be marketed as specialty 1/
(30 dozen cases – in thousands)

		No Northeast	So Cent	So Atl	Pacific	5-Area
Large	Curr Wk	4.6	7.6	1.9	9.1	7.7
	Change	0.1	0.4	0.0	0.6	-1.0
Ungraded	Curr Wk	0.0	12.1	4.2	0.0	0.0
	Change	0.0	3.1	0.6	0.0	0.0
Total	Curr Wk	4.6	19.7	6.1	9.1	7.7
Percent	Change	2%	22%	11%	7%	-11%

TOTAL	No. of Cases	% Change	No. of Coops
Specialty Shell Egg	47.2	9%	44

1/ Information supplied by a universe of size indicated by the number of cooperators. Cooperators normally have stocks on hand each Monday A.M. and must report in both the current and previous week. This is a representative sample of the U.S. inventory and includes eggs packed for export when in cooperator's coolers.

2/ Specialty eggs include certified organic, nutritionally enhanced, cage-free, and vegetarian-fed types.

No valid comparison can be made with year ago or previous months' figures due to changes in number of plants surveyed, holidays falling in different weeks or changes in size of plant operations.

Northeast - CT, DE, MA, MD, ME, NH, NJ, NY, PA, RI, VT
North Central - IA, IL, IN, MI, MN, ND, NE, OH, SD, WI
South Central - AR, CO, KS, LA, MO, NM, OK, TX
South Atlantic - AL, FL, GA, KY, MS, NC, SC, TN, VA, WV
Pacific - AZ, CA, ID, MT, NV, OR, UT, WA, WY

EGGS PROCESSED UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION

W/E 16-APR-2011	(Lbs In Thousands)	(Excludes Ingredients)				
Total	Cases	Liquid	Liquid	Liquid		
	Broken	Whole	White	Yolk	Dried	Inedible
CW	1,280,813	30,800	12,554	6,451	2,054	4,290
PW	1,288,379	31,663	12,622	6,468	2,004	4,463
LY	1,364,952	32,328	14,045	7,049	2,688	4,476
% PW	-1%	-3%	-1%	0%	2%	-4%
% LY	-6%	-5%	-11%	-8%	-24%	-4%
2011*	19,606,560	465,654	200,769	102,025	42,664	66,275
2010*	18,645,101	453,939	183,467	90,811	36,166	64,099
% YTD	5%	3%	9%	12%	18%	3%

Average Yield Per Case -	Current Week	Previous Week	Last Year
(Inedible Included)	42.23	42.86	42.42
(Inedible Excluded)	38.89	39.39	39.14

IN-LINE PRODUCTION (of total production; lbs. in thousands; may include limited amount of off-line source material)

	CASES BROKEN		LIQUID WHOLE	
	Cases	% of Total	Lbs.	% of Total
CURRENT WEEK	713,849	55.7%	19,314	62.7%
PREVIOUS WEEK	722,668	56.1%	19,402	61.3%
LAST YEAR	744,797	54.6%	18,890	58.4%

BROILER HATCHERY

19 Selected States	Broiler Eggs Set		Broiler Chicks Placed	
	APR 09	APR 16	APR 09	APR 16
STATE	Thousand			
Alabama	30,544	31,264	21,456	21,826
Arkansas	23,776	23,464	20,131	21,847
Delaware	3,858	3,902	4,325	4,717
Florida	1,360	1,344	1,243	1,243
Georgia	33,408	33,304	27,898	27,852
Kentucky	7,862	7,651	6,255	6,893
Louisiana	3,440	3,440	3,005	3,064
Maryland	7,747	7,749	6,226	6,237
Mississippi	19,413	19,520	16,967	17,133
North Carolina	20,495	20,584	16,753	15,874
Oklahoma	7,310	7,219	5,531	4,199
Pennsylvania	3,510	3,755	3,117	2,990
South Carolina	5,575	5,586	4,375	5,069
Texas	15,528	15,446	12,894	12,608
Virginia	6,315	6,040	5,316	5,532
California, Missouri, Tennessee, and West Virginia	19,050	19,067	17,199	16,704
19 State total	209,191	209,335	172,691	173,788
Previous year total	209,257	206,893	171,651	169,539
Percent of previous year	100	101	101	103

Source: NASS, USDA

WEEKLY FRYERS AVAILABLE FOR MARKETING

Based on the preliminary chick placements, the number of fryers available for marketing during the week ending 28-May-11 is estimated at 159.4 million head. This compares to 159.0 million head the previous week and to 160.5 million head the same week a year ago, when the slaughter was 165.8 million head and the composite weighted average price was 89.44 cents per pound.

TRAILER LOAD EGG SALES - WEEKLY WTD AVG PRICES (CNTS/DOZ) NATIONAL TRADING FOR 04/14/11 - 04/20/11

CURRENT LDS	92.75		FUTURE LDS		52.25		TOTAL LDS		145.00
	SE	NE	SE	NE	SE	NE	SE	NE	
CLASS	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	LOADS
GNR W 1	87.75	90.40	88.20	91.08	--	--	83.00	--	23.00
GNR W 2	--	--	--	--	84.25	--	--	--	3.00
GL W J	--	--	--	--	71.81	--	--	--	11.75
GL W XL	--	105.00	99.06	100.08	79.83	84.00	--	--	13.50
GL W LG	--	99.00	--	--	95.10	81.29	--	--	16.75
GL W MD	--	--	75.33	76.75	74.95	--	--	--	14.50
GL W SM	--	--	63.67	65.50	--	--	--	--	3.00
GL BR MD	71.00	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	1.00
NRBS - 50	--	--	--	--	--	--	63.00	--	2.00
NRBS - 48	--	--	58.53	61.00	--	--	62.67	--	34.00
NRBS - 42	--	51.00	--	--	49.00	58.00	--	--	4.75

MOVEMENT OF EGGS INTO RETAIL CHANNELS W/E 16-Apr-11

Selected Consuming Centers	CW	PW	% CHANGE	
	Cases, in thousands	LW	LY	
Atlanta	27.2	22.1	23	88
Boston	3.7	2.9	28	48
Chicago	53.5	53.3	0	-15
Los Angeles	59.3	54.7	8	-7
New Orleans	6.8	6.2	10	31
New York	37.9	36.6	4	35
St. Louis	97.5	92.4	6	44
San Francisco	26.1	20.9	25	43
Total	312.0	289.1	8	19
4 Week Moving Avg.	292.2			

LIVE TURKEYS SLAUGHTERED W/E 16-Apr-11 (Preliminary)

	YOUNG		YOUNG	OLD	TOTAL
	HENS	TOMS	BREEDERS	TURKEYS	
Head	1,928	2,500	19	3	4,450
Avg Wt	16.94	39.79	22.50	47.68	29.82
Last week	1,724	2,602	18	2	4,346
Same wk yr ago	1,934	2,498	24	10	4,466
Avg Wt	16.99	38.65	24.60	29.44	28.32
To-date/2011*	26,283	37,927	330	111	64,651
To-date/2010*	26,928	37,532	343	103	64,906
% Change YTD	-2%	1%	-4%	8%	0%

*Note: Year to-date totals reflect comparable time periods.

NUMBER OF TURKEYS SLTRD IN FEDERALLY INSPECTED PLANTS

W/E 16-Apr-11	(Preliminary)			Old Breeders	Total	Turkeys
	-----Young turkeys-----					
	Thousand	Pct chg	Avg	-Thousand head-		Avg
	Head	PW	Live wt			Live wt
North East	619	4	26.11	(A)	620	26.11
South Atlantic	595	-2	37.44	(A)	596	37.44
North Central	2,162	4	33.25	(A)	2,163	33.25
South Central	806	4	18.46	(A)	806	18.46
West	265	-7	27.77	(A)	265	27.77
U.S. total	4,447 (B)	2	29.82	3	4,450	29.82
To-date						
2011*	64,540 (B)			111	64,651	
To-date						
2010*	64,803 (B)			103	64,906	

(A) Not published to avoid disclosing individual operations.

(B) Number of young banded breeder turkeys included: this week 19,000; for the current year to date* 330,000; for last year to date* 343,000.

*Note: Year to-date totals reflect comparable time periods.

LIVE POULTRY SLTRD UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION

(Preliminary) W/E 16-Apr-2011	Young Chickens	Light Hens	Heavy Hens	Total Hens	Ducks
-----Thousands-----					
Head	160,335	1,321	1,337	2,658	421
Avg Wt	5.77	3.15	8.09	5.63	6.36
Last week	159,746	1,493	1,392	2,885	475
Same wk yr ago	161,552	1,598	1,314	2,912	396
Avg Wt	5.60	3.10	7.83	5.23	6.88
To-date/2011*	2,395,393	21,464	22,100	43,564	6,729
To-date/2010*	2,381,600	22,023	19,723	41,746	6,113
% Change YTD	1%	-3%	12%	4%	10%

Ready-to-Cook Weight and Dressing Percentage

Current week	689,224	2,247	7,031	9,278	1,928
Last week	677,171	2,548	7,347	9,895	2,343
Same wk yr ago	673,995	2,650	6,842	9,492	1,962
To-date/2011*	10,152,604	36,363	116,121	152,484	33,120
To-date/2010*	9,850,981	37,805	101,966	139,771	29,971
% Change YTD	3%	-4%	14%	9%	11%
Dressing %	74.5%	54.0%	65.0%		72.0%

(A) The estimated number of fryers available for marketing based on the 2-week revised average chick placements 6 to 7 weeks earlier was 158.3 million head. Estimated U.S. slaughter for this period was 162.3 million head, or 4.0 million more than estimated available.

(B) Dressing % adjustments reflect quarterly update.

*Note: Year to-date totals reflect comparable time periods.

EST U.S. FRYER SLAUGHTER/FRYER AVAILABILITY COMPARISON

Week Ending	Million Head Slaughtered	Million Head Available*	Pct	Avg Wt
Mar 12	159.7	158.1	101%	5.63
19	162.0	158.3	102%	5.65
26	160.0	158.1	101%	5.64
Apr 2	164.5	157.8	104%	5.77
9	161.7	158.2	102%	5.69
16	162.3	158.3	103%	5.77
Year to date	2424.6	2371.6	102%	
Apr 23		159.0		
30		160.4		

*Based on chick placements 6 to 7 weeks earlier.

EST SLAUGHTER of U.S. BROILER/FRYERS and FOWL

Under Federal Inspection for Week Ending 23-Apr-11

Class	Current Week 04/23/11 (1)	Previous Week 04/16/11
----- Thousand head -----		
Broiler/fryer	161,780 (2)	162,211
Light hens	1,640	1,304
Heavy hens	1,382	1,362
Total	164,802	164,877

(1) Estimated

(2) The estimated number of broiler-fryers available for slaughter the week ending 23-Apr-11 is 159.0 million head compared to 165.0 million head slaughtered the same week last year. The estimated U.S. slaughter this week is 162.1 million head or 3.1 million more than estimated available. For the week of 30-Apr-11 the estimated available is 160.4 million head.

WEEKLY COLD STORAGE HOLDINGS – Selected Centers

(Inc. Gov't Stocks) (in thousands)	Frozen Eggs lbs.	Proc. Turkeys lbs.	Proc. other Poultry lbs.
AM 04/18/11	3,668	122,955	52,141
AM 04/01/11	3,696	112,608	54,581
CHG	-28	10347	-2440
PCT CHG	-1%	9%	-4%

WHOLE YOUNG TURKEYS

Frozen basted equivalent offering prices on a national basis for hens 95.00-99.00 cents shipping point and toms 95.00-104.00 cents shipping point for current deliveries.

LIVE HEN MARKETS

Heavy Type (7 pounds and up)*

Final price, Cents per lb, Generally for slaughter the week of 18-Apr-11

Regions	Range	Majority	Wtd Avg
Southeast (1)	8-17.75 cents/lb.		12.95
Southeast (2)	too few to report		
South Central (1)	too few to report		

(1) At Farm Buyer Loading (2) At Farm Producer Loading

*Weights under 7 lbs. subject to discount.

Light Type Cents per head, generally for removal within the next 10 days (Includes handling, freight and any other charges, weights average about 3.50 pounds) 15-Apr-11

Regions:	Eastern	South Central	North Central
Range:	2-11	TFEWR	0-10.5
Majority:	3-7		0-5

COMMERCIAL EGG MOVEMENT (Receipts From Producers)

W/E 16-Apr-2011	Cases (in thousands)	% Change From	
Regions		LW	LY
North Atlantic	209.3	-2	9
East North Central	681.4	3	3
West North Central	254.7	4	-20
South Atlantic	145.8	-3	4
South Central	53.8	-2	6
West	52.1	-5	9
Total	1397.1	1	-1

Matched plants reporting

Areas Covered:

North Atlantic (ME,VT,MA,RI,CT,NH,NY,PA,NJ,MD,DE)

East North Central (WI,IL,MI,OH,IN)

West North Central (IA,MN,MO,KS,SD)

South Atlantic (SC,NC,VA,GA,FL,KY)

South Central (TN,AL,AR,MS,OK)

West (CA, CO, WA, OR, UT)

FINAL BROILER/FRYER REPORT

Prices negotiated for truck-lot sales of ready-to-cook broiler/fryers delivered to first receivers and FOB dock at major market areas (cents per lb) Week of 18-Apr-2011

	Grade A		Lds	Composite	
	Maj	Wtd Avg		Wtd Avg	Lds

Delivered to First Receivers 1/:

Los Angeles	96.00	94.80	25	:	87.40	72
New York	79.00-82.00	81.10	21	:	82.68	44

Delivered to First Receivers 1/:

	Whole Body 2/:		Lds	Composite		
	Maj	Wtd Avg		Wtd Avg	Lds	
Chicago	75.00-82.00			:	79.33	42

1/: Includes branded product.

2/: Whole Body category includes whole body birds with or without giblets, all grades, brands, and packaging.

COMPOSITE WEIGHTED AVERAGE RTC BROILER/FRYER

Loads	04/18/11	Change Last Wk	04/11/11	04/19/10
341	83.37	2.67	80.69	81.21

